

GET 2 KNOW

By Michael Long



1.

Name: Cory Kennedy

Age: 17

From: NE DC

Gift: Singing

Random: Mom almost named her Andrama

INSPIRATION: NE-YO



2.

Name: Shaffer "Ne-Yo" Smith

Age: 27

From: Camden, Arkansas

Gift: R&B/Pop Singer & Songwriter

Random: Is 1/4 Chinese

HOF GETS ACQUAINTED W/ GEORGE WASHINGTON

By Laura Funderburk & Javier Vivar

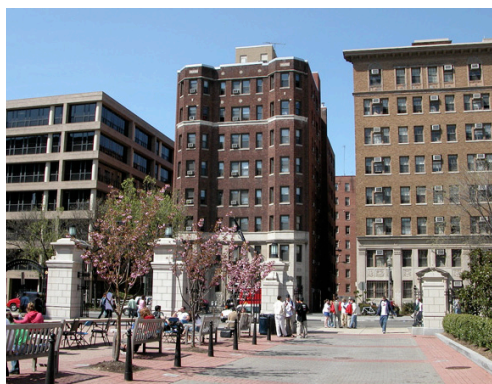


Photo: VisitingDC.com

Hands on the Future's high school juniors and seniors went on the first college tour this past Friday, to George Washington University in NW. After a half-day at the Columbia Heights Youth Center, they were taken on an extensive guided tour of the GW campus. "You get a positive feeling from the school. It looked like it held a lot of opportunities," said Dance participant Jasmy'ne Dawkins. Many of the students enjoyed the dorms and the classrooms including Brendan Allen and Brandon Kelly. "The

dorms and classrooms are really awesome," said Allen. Kelly said "The dorms were very spacious. They were up-to-date and clean." The tour guide also told students about the things nearby that make GWU more convenient for the students who attend there. "I like that they have a lot of food places, and that you really get the college feeling. This college has everything," said participant Brooke Young.

The annual college tours provided by Hands on the Future encourage participants to pursue higher education. Next year, HOF plans to branch outside of Washington D.C. "Yes, Hands on the Future should provide all of it's juniors and seniors with a college tour and next year will visit schools in other states," says Program Director Ty Gray-EL. HOF is definitely doing what it takes to breed success.

THE HIT POTION

Spotlight has the exclusive recipe for creating the perfect song!



Ingredients

- 1 Artist/Group
 - to skillfully sing or rap on the track
- 1 Engineer
 - to set up, operate, and maintain the studio recording equipment
- 1 Producer
 - to oversee the process & ensure a great final product

- 1 Band
 - to enhance the song with musical instruments
- 3 Music Machines
 - MPC (Music Production Center) 4000, Yamaha Motif XS8, & Fantom Keyboard
- 1 Recording Software
 - DigiDesign Pro Tools

To make your potion more powerful, add more ingredients as needed.

BEYOND HOF

By Michael Long

Try to match the student with their accomplishment! (Answers below)



1. Natasha Armstrong



2. Jamal Cephus



3. Zina Ford

a) Charter member of M.O.S.T. male mentoring program at Duke Ellington High School

b) Sang with "Truu Soul" at a Montgomery College Haiti Benefit Concert in April

c) Won first place in Larry Neal Writer's Award competition for poetry

Answers: 1:c; 2:a; 3:b

INDUSTRY: TOP 3

1. Carmelo Anthony & LaLa Vasquez married in NY last weekend
2. M.I.A.'s new album "Maya" dropped this past Tuesday
3. Beyonce Knowles' car almost gets hit by a taxi in London

WORD OF THE WEEK

FROM VIDEO

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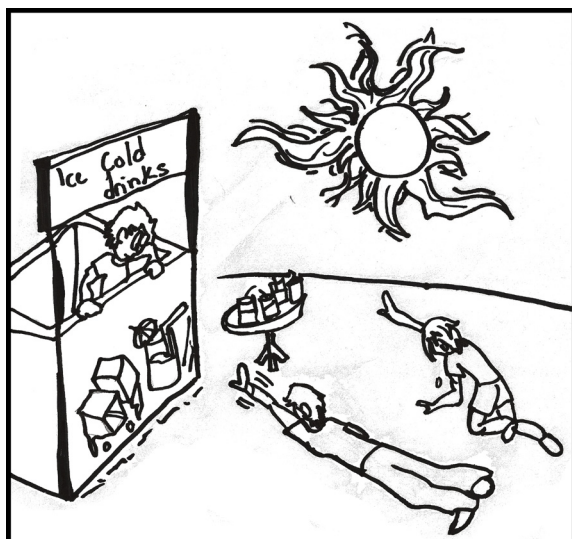
A small firecracker, electric or pyrotechnic device used to ignite a charge or fire an igniter for special effects.

Source: Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary

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(DESPERATION)



By Patrick Campbell, Michael Long, & Javier Vivar

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



JULY 23 - 25, 2010: CAMPING TRIP

Start gathering the items suggested on the packing list, and bring in your permission slips ASAP!

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